

Appl. No. 09/862,830
Atty. Docket No. AA471
Amdt. dated 10/12/2004
Reply to Office Action of 08/11/2004
Customer No. 27752

REMARKS

Claims 1-3, 7, 9, 10, 12, 14, 16, 19, 20, and 28 are pending in the present application.

Claims 1, 9, 12, 16, and 28 have been amended. Basis for the amendments is found *inter alia* at page 16, line 30 to page 17, line 9.

Claims 4-6, 8, 13, 15, 17, 18, 21-27, 29, and 30 are canceled.

New matter is believed to have been added. No additional claims fees are believed due.

Rejection Under 35 USC 102(b) Over Ehrlich

The Office Action rejects the claims under 35 USC 102(b) Ehrlich (U.S. Patent No. 4,099,912). Applicants amend the claims to overcome the rejection.

The Office Action at page 4, lines 2-4 states the other coordinated element of Ehrlich, aside from manufacturer's instructions to use the separately packaged composition together, are brand name, container graphics and/or trade dress which are common to all articles of commerce. No mention of perfume as a coordinated element is made by the Office Action. The amended claims now require perfume and instructions as coordinated elements, wherein, for example, Claim 1 requires the perfume of the laundry detergent composition and the perfume of said fabric treatment composition to provide a consistent, additive and/or synergistic odor on a treated fabric article. Claim 9 requires the perfume of the fabric conditioning composition and the perfume of the fabric treatment composition to be aesthetically compatible with each other. Claim 16 requires the perfume of the first fabric treatment composition to be different from the perfume of the second fabric treatment composition, but for each perfume is specifically coordinated with the other perfume(s) to provide a desirable odor. Claim 28 is a method which requires the laundry detergent composition and the fabric conditioning composition to comprise a coordinated element that is comprised of a perfume which provides a consistent, additive, or synergistic odor on said fabric.

Rejection Under 35 USC 103(a) Over Ehrlich, Flynn, Dea, Hawkins and Riordan

The Office Action rejects the claims under 35 USC 103(a) Over Ehrlich (US 4,099,912), Flynn (US 4,563,186), Dea (US 3,842,976), Hawkins (US 5,490,608), and Riordan (US 6,105,812). Applicant amends the claims to overcome the rejection based on these references for the reasons stated above. Applicant also mentions that the Office Action would seem not mention as perfume as a coordinated element when discussing these references.

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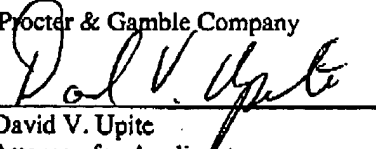
Conclusion

Early and favorable action in the case is respectfully requested.

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